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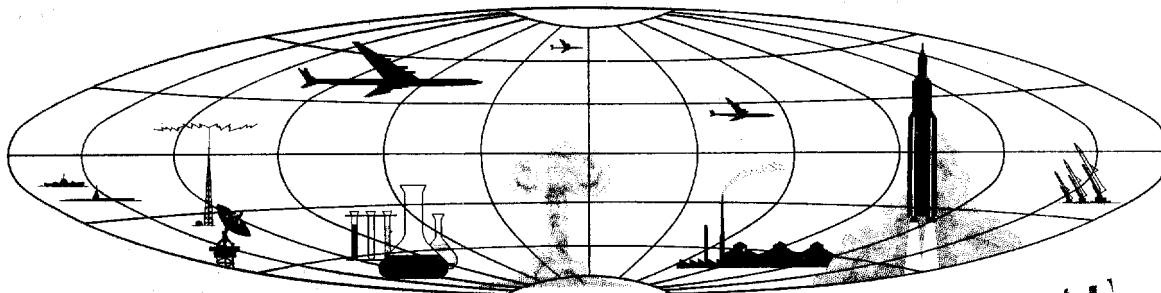
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3451, DATED 25 FEBRUARY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

SAN CRISTOBAL IRBM SITE 3 2242N 08200W

ARCHED-ROOF BUILDING REMAINS.  
NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1 2257N 08239W

NO ACTIVITY NOTED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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BARTOLOME, SUSPECT SSN ACTIVITY 2226N 07934W

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NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS, OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT,  
AND 3 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS VISIBLE.

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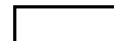
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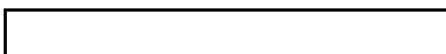
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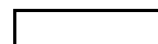
THREE LAUNCHERS AND OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA VISIBLE.

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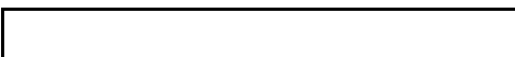
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HAVANA SAM SITE 2309N 08213W



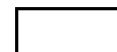
SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, HOLD AREA, AND GUIDANCE  
RADAR -- ALL CANVAS COVERED.

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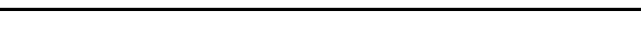
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LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W



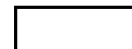
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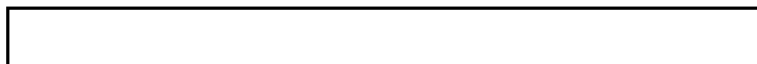
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MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W



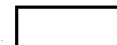
FOUR LARGE, ONE MEDIUM, AND 4 SMALL TENTS OBSERVED.  
CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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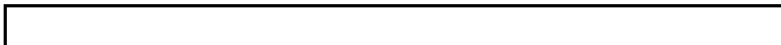
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CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W



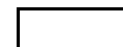
TEN CANVAS-COVERED TRANSPORTERS AND 5 CRUISE-MISSILE  
CRATES VISIBLE.

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GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W



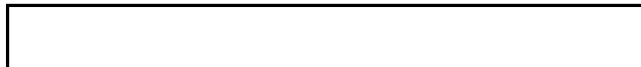
TWO ROWS OF PROBABLE CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES,  
APPROXIMATELY 12 LARGE CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLES, AND  
APPROXIMATELY 200 OTHER VARIOUS TYPES OF VEHICLES  
OBSERVED.

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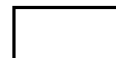
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-AIRFIELDS-

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

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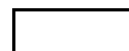
AIRCRAFT -- 3 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE LIAISON-TYPE.

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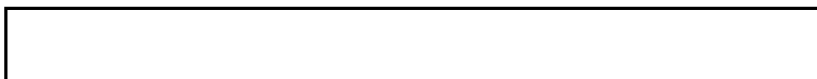
SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

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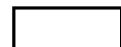
AIRCRAFT -- THREE C-47, 14 FAGOT/FRESCO,  
3 FARMER, 3 SINGLE-ENGINE, AND ONE CRATE VISIBLE.

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JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

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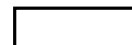
AIRCRAFT -- ONE CLEAT, 3 C-47, 2 LIAISON TYPE, 4  
CONSTELLATION, 4 CRATE, 4 PROBABLE C-54, ONE BRITANNIA  
AND 4 UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT VISIBLE.

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CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

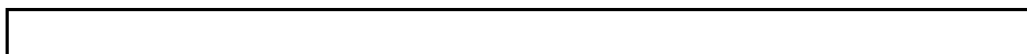
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AIRCRAFT -- 9 COLT, APPROXIMATELY 20 PROBABLE  
LIAISON-TYPE VISIBLE.

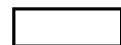
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OBLIQUITY AND CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

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AIRCRAFT -- NONE VISIBLE.  
CLOUD SHADOW AND POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDE  
FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 9 HOUND, AND 8 HARE VISIBLE.

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MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE VISIBLE.

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-PORTS-

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MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

ONE PROBABLE PF, ONE PROBABLE KRONSTADT-CLASS PC,  
AND 12 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG VISIBLE.

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HAVANA PORT 2300N 08221W

VESSELS -- 28 LARGE FREIGHTERS INCLUDING THE  
DOCKED. FIVE LARGE FREIGHTERS INCLUDING THE  
ANCHORED IN HARBOR. ELEVEN  
COASTAL FREIGHTERS, 3 PC, ONE PROBABLE PF, AND 6 PT.  
CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, HAZE, AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE  
FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

ONE POSSIBLE FREIGHTER.

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BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

ONE LARGE UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL OBSERVED. OBLIQUITY  
PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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-ELECTRONICS-

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HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2300N 08226W

THIRTEEN VANS AND 8 PROBABLE VEHICLES VISIBLE.

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

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LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

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ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

INCOMPLETE COVERAGE DUE TO HEAVY CLOUDS. ONLY A  
PORTION OF THE MOTOR PARK IS VISIBLE, AND THERE IS NO  
APPARENT CHANGE IN THE VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT  
OBSERVED.  
POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES IDENTIFICATION OF  
VEHICLES BY TYPE.

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LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

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ELEVEN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.  
POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08311W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE.

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CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08252W

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APPROXIMATELY 10 PROBABLE TRUCKS VISIBLE.

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HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

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CAMP CONTAINS 61 LARGE, 26 MEDIUM, AND 78 SMALL  
TENTS, 40 TANKS/SP GUNS, 4 TRACKED VEHICLES, 16 FA  
PIECES, 10 CARGO TRAILERS AND APPROXIMATELY 300  
VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.  
THE 6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES ARE OCCUPIED.

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REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

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CAMP IS 80-TO-90 PERCENT CLOUD COVERED.  
THE 6-GUN AAA SITE IS OCCUPIED.  
APPROXIMATELY 10 PRIME MOVERS AND 6 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

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MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08212W

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ONE CANVAS-COVERED OBJECT IN FRONT OF EACH OF 3 OF THE  
BUNKERS.

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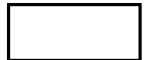
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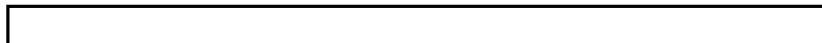
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HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W



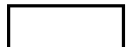
SEVEN EARTH-COVERED BUNKERS VISIBLE.  
NO VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08220W



APPROXIMATELY 30 LARGE AND 5 SMALL TENTS, 12 TANKS/SP  
GUNS, 3 PROBABLE TRACKED VEHICLES, AND 30 CARGO TRUCKS  
ARE OBSERVED.  
THE 6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES ARE OCCUPIED.  
ROWS OF VEHICLES AND PIECES OF EQUIPMENT ARE  
VISIBLE IN HEAVILY WOODED AREA. SCATTERED CLOUDS  
PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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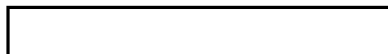
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SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W



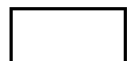
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLEAR AREAS.

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TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W



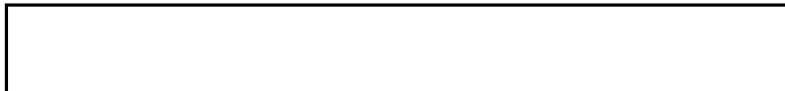
REFORMATORY PROPER -- 15 VEHICLES AND APPROXIMATELY  
25 LARGE, 9 MEDIUM, AND 4 SMALL TENTS.  
MOTOR PARK AND BILLETING AREA .3 NM TO THE SOUTH --  
APPROXIMATELY 230 VEHICLES AND 10 LARGE TENTS,  
18 MEDIUM TENTS, AND ONE SMALL TENT.  
MOTOR PARK .7 NM SSW OF THE REFORMATORY --  
APPROXIMATELY 35 VAN TRUCKS, 80 MISCELLANEOUS  
VEHICLES, AND 6 SMALL TENTS.  
MOTOR PARK .9 NM SE OF THE REFORMATORY --  
APPROXIMATELY 200 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.  
MOTOR PARK 1.2 NM SW OF THE REFORMATORY -- 12  
PROBABLE TANKS.  
SCATTERED CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, AND HAZE PRECLUDE  
INTERPRETATION OF THE BILLETING AREA 1.9 NM SOUTH AND  
THE AAA SITE 1.5 NM SSE OF THE REFORMATORY PROPER.

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MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W



APPROXIMATELY 300 MISCELLANEOUS VEHICLES OBSERVED  
THROUGHOUT CAMP AREA.  
HAZE AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CAMPO FLORIDA, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W



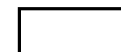
THREE TANKS AND 3 TRUCKS VISIBLE.

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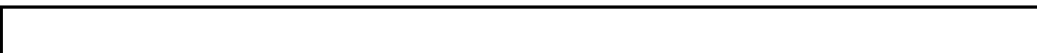
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BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W



SIX VEHICLES AND 7 BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDINGS VISIBLE.  
HAZE AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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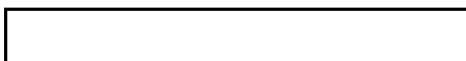
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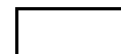
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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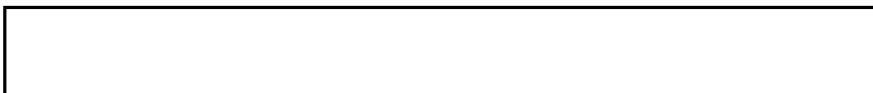
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SPECIAL AREA ALPHA 2258N 08227W



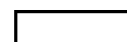
NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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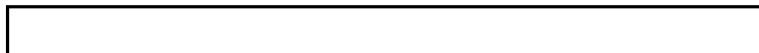
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SPECIAL AREA HOTEL 2301N 08246W



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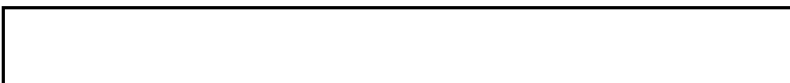


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SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE 2250N 08233W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

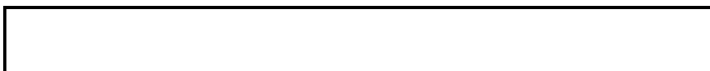
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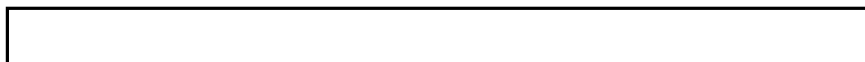
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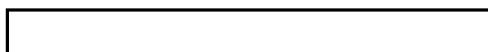
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TARARA LANDING BEACH 2310N 08212W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

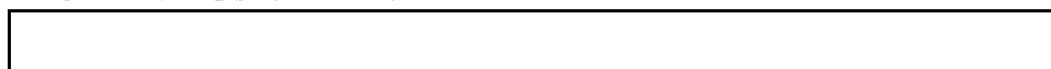
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HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W

THREE HARDSTANDS -- ONE WITH 8 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES,  
ONE WITH 10 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND ONE WITH  
APPROXIMATELY 6 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.  
HAZE AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

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MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W



THREE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED WITHIN FENCED  
AREA.

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BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

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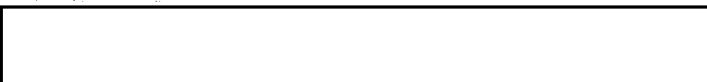
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LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION 2301N 08245W

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES.

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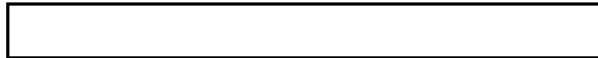
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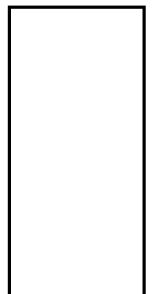


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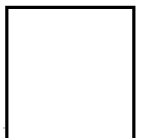
-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED  
BUT NOT INTERPRETED --

REMEDIOS IRBM SITE  
CHAPARRA SAM SITE  
SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT  
NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA

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2107N 07626W  
2241N 08218W  
2258N 08214W

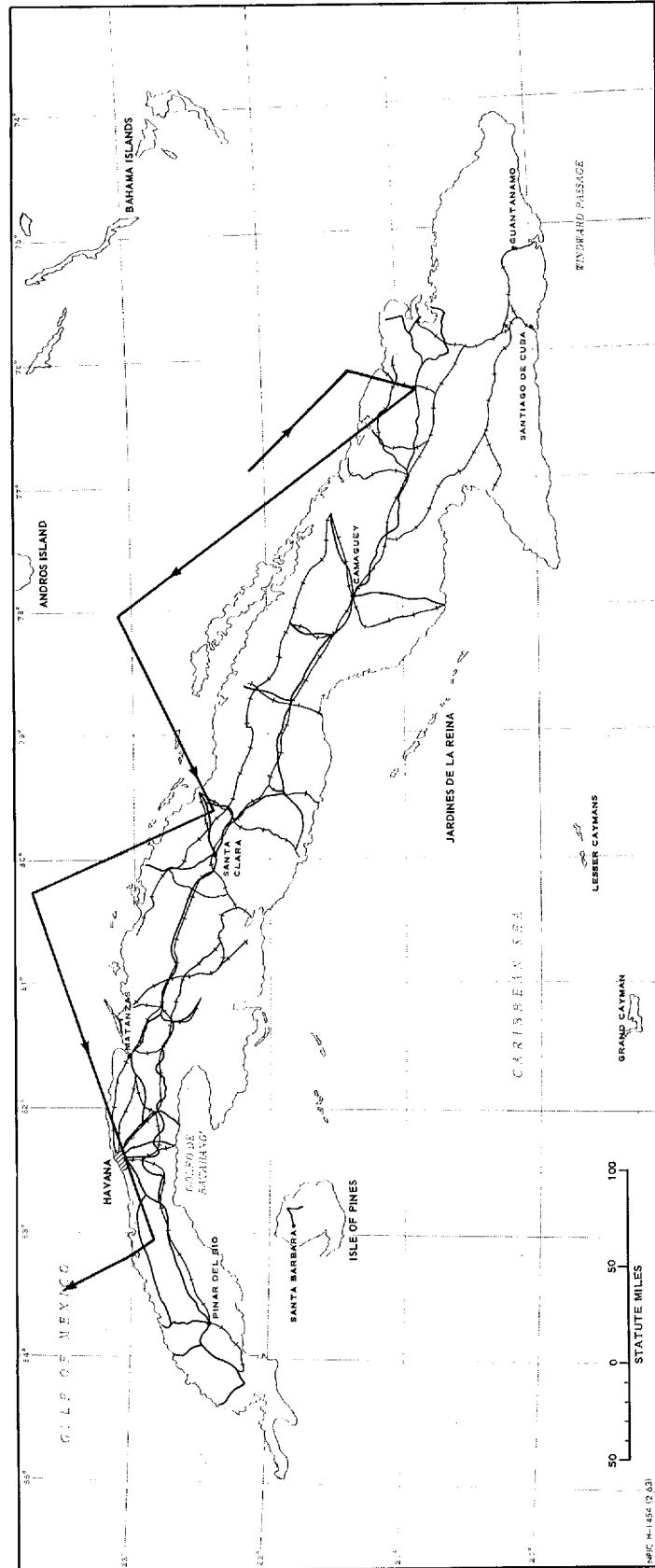
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